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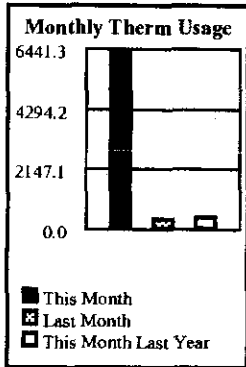
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### Energy Profile

**Average Daily Cost**  
2007 \$168.44  
2006 \$19.39

**Average Daily Therms**  
2007 195.19  
2006 18.04

**Total Degree Days**  
2007 1,503  
2006 1,184



Visit the "My Account" section of nicorgas.com where you can conveniently:

- Pay your bill
- Sign up for email reminders, Auto Payment and Budget Plan
- Make payment arrangements
- Submit a meter read
- View your gas use history

**Service For:**  
David A Hirsch

Account 45-44-87-1000 9

### Payment Information

Previous Balance 2,964.97

### Total Payments and Balances

\$2,964.97

For gas service at the following location:  
**41 Steeplechase Rd, Barrington Hills**

**Meter Reading Meter Number 4285013**

Current: 7346 Actual Reading - March 7, 2007  
Previous: 981 Estimated Reading - February 2, 2007  
Difference: 6365 (33 days)  
Conversion to Therms: 6365 X 1.012 BTU Factor = 6,441.38 Therms

### Residential Gas Heat Service

#### Delivery Charges

Monthly Customer Charge 8.85  
First 20 Therms 20 @ \$0.1473 2.95  
21 - 50 Therms 30 @ \$0.0579 1.74  
Over 50 Therms 6,391.38 @ \$0.0519 331.71  
Environmental Cost Recovery 6,441.38 @ \$0.0035 = 22.54  
Franchise Cost Adjustment .19

\$367.98

#### Natural Gas Cost

5,270.22 Therms x \$0.72 3,794.56  
1,171.16 Therms x \$0.83 972.06

\$4,766.62

#### Taxes

Municipal Utility Tax \$5,134.60 @ 5.15% 264.43  
Utility Fund Tax \$5,134.60 @ 0.1% 5.13  
State Revenue Tax 6,441.38 @ \$0.024 = 154.59

\$424.15

\$5,558.75

### Total Current Bill Amount

\$5,558.75

Your recommended Budget Plan amount is \$736.00. To sign up, pay this amount with your next bill, visit nicorgas.com or call 1 888 Nicor4u (1 888 642-6748).

### Total Amount Due

\$8,523.72

Bill Date 3/22/2007, due by 4/13/2007

OFFICIAL FILE

I.C.C. DOCKET NO. 07-0389

Exhibit No. 5

Witness

Date 3/23/07 Reporter



Please detach and return with your payment

Past due balance is \$2964.97 due now.  
Current bill \$5558.75 due by 04/13/2007

Total Amount Due

\$8,523.72

To sign up for Budget Plan

Pay \$736.00 and check here

Indicate amount added for Sharing:

\$

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David A Hirsch  
41 Steeplechase Rd  
Barrington IL 60010-2633



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PO BOX 416  
AURORA IL 60568-0001





## **DANGER! Certain Older Gas Connectors May Be Dangerous**



Gas connectors are corrugated metal tubes used to connect gas appliances in your home to fuel gas supply pipes. Some older brass connectors have come apart, causing fires and explosions resulting in deaths and injuries. These older brass connectors have a serious flaw in how their tubing was joined to their end pieces. Over time, the end pieces can separate from the tubing, and cause a serious gas leak, explosion or fire. To our knowledge, these dangerous uncoated brass connectors have not been made for more than 20 years, but many of them are still in use. The older these connectors get, the greater the possibility of failure. Although not all uncoated connectors have this flaw, it is very difficult to tell which ones do. Therefore, **any uncoated brass connector should be replaced immediately** with either a new plastic-coated brass or a new stainless steel connector. Connectors can wear out from too much moving, bending or corrosion. Connectors should always be replaced whenever the appliance is replaced or moved from its location.



**WARNING: Only a qualified professional should check your connector and replace it if needed.**

**Don't try to do this yourself!** Moving the appliance, even slightly, whether to clean behind it or to inspect its gas connector, can cause the complete failure of one of these older weakened connectors, possibly resulting in a deadly fire or explosion.

**Do not move your appliance to check the connector!**

**IF YOU SMELL GAS:** If you suspect a gas leak: **Leave the house immediately.** Don't use your phone; call Nicor Gas for assistance from a neighbor's house. Don't light a match. Don't turn on a light. Don't switch on anything electrical.

For additional information on appliance connectors please call us at 1 888 288-8110 or visit our Web site at [www.nicorgas.com](http://www.nicorgas.com).

### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

#### **Meter Reading**

Actual Meter Reading - Your meter was read by a Nicor Gas meter reader.

Customer Read - You reported your meter reading to us.

Estimated Meter Reading - Your reading was estimated based on previous use and the weather. Every other month, we estimate most customers' meter readings.

On your next bill, any difference from your actual use is automatically corrected when we take an actual meter reading.

Therm - A therm is the basic unit for measuring your natural gas consumption.

Meter Exchange - If we exchanged your meter, this note means your bill is based on the reading of the meter we removed from your address.

Pressure Factor - If you require higher than normal gas pressure, the pressure factor is a multiplier that adjusts for increased gas volumes flowing through a meter.

**Delivery Charges** - These charges cover our fixed and variable operating and distribution costs. A portion of these charges varies from month to month based on your natural gas usage.

Monthly Customer Charge - A minimum monthly fixed charge that is assessed even when you do not use natural gas.

Environmental Recovery Cost - Covers our costs for the environmental investigation and cleanup of former manufactured gas plants. Nicor Gas receives no profit from these charges.

Franchise Cost - A charge for municipal franchise agreements.

Governmental Agency Adjustment - An adjustment for governmental fees and added costs, excluding franchise costs. The charge may change each month and is filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Customer Select Charge - Customer Select customers are assessed this charge based on usage. The charge may change each month and is filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Transportation Service Credit - A credit to Customer Select customers based on usage.

**Natural Gas Cost** - The price we pay our suppliers for the natural gas we deliver to your home or business. The price may change each calendar month and is filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission.

#### **Taxes**

State Revenue Tax - This is mandated by the State of Illinois. It is not a sales tax.

Utility Fund Tax - This funds the Illinois Commerce Commission, which regulates all Illinois utilities and is mandated by the state.

State Use Tax - This tax is imposed on natural gas purchased outside of Illinois for use or consumption in Illinois.

Municipal Utility Tax - Some municipalities charge this tax based on utility revenue. It is authorized by Section 8-11-2 of the Illinois Municipal Code and is applied according to the local municipality's ordinance.

Municipal Use Tax - Some municipalities charge this tax based on your gas use. Your local municipality has an ordinance requiring collection of this tax.

#### **Energy Profile**

Degree Day - Degree days are used to estimate the amount of natural gas used for heating. Degree days result when the average of the day's high and low temperatures drops below 65 degrees.

#### **Payment Information**

Budget Plan - This plan spreads your estimated annual gas costs over 12 monthly payments. Approximately every four months we evaluate your account and adjust your monthly payment for changes in weather and/or the price of gas. If you build a credit balance on your account, you will receive earned credit. If you have a debit balance, a finance charge will be assessed. Staying current on your payments will result in favorable reporting to credit bureaus. Sign up on your bill stub or at [nicorgas.com](http://nicorgas.com).

Security Deposits - In accordance with the Illinois Administrative Code Part 280, Nicor Gas may request a cash security deposit under the following circumstances: history of late payments, failure to pay final bill at a prior address, service disconnection due to non-payment, meter tampering, or other reasons.

Credit Reporting - We report payments to credit bureaus. Payments more than 30 days past due may adversely affect your credit rating.

Auto Payment - You can have the amount of your gas bill electronically withdrawn from a checking or savings account on a specific date or when the bill is due.

Sign up at [nicorgas.com](http://nicorgas.com).

Other Options - Pay your bill by telephone or personal computer using our e-bill service. Sign up at [nicorgas.com](http://nicorgas.com). To pay with a credit card, call 1 888 642-6748.

Sharing - A charitable program designed to help people pay their natural gas bills. To see if you could benefit from Sharing, please contact your local Salvation Army. To contribute to Sharing, please check the appropriate box on your bill stub and add the amount to your payment.

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**ATTENTION! : Please read important notice at top of page about dangerous gas connectors.**

**¡ATENCIÓN! : Para recibir una traducción al español de la advertencia relativa a conectores de gas peligrosos mencionada al inicio de esta página, favor de llamar al 1 888 288-8110 o visite [www.nicorgas.com](http://www.nicorgas.com)**